

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2002-192-E - ORDER NO. 2003-426

JUNE 20, 2003

IN RE: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company,)	ORDER GRANTING
)	RESCHEDULED <i>rdw</i>
Complainant,)	HEARING
)	
vs.)	
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Palmetto Electric Cooperative, Inc.,)	
)	
Respondent.)	
_____)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") to continue the hearing set for the Complaint of SCE&G against Palmetto Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Palmetto").

On June 5, 2002, SCE&G filed its Complaint against Palmetto involving the provision to supply electric service to Walsh Fabrication, Inc., a proposed commercial facility to be constructed on a site located near Hardeeville, South Carolina. Thereafter, SCE&G, on June 14, 2002, filed a Motion for Injunctive Relief to which Palmetto filed its Return on June 21, 2002. SCE&G's Motion for Injunctive Relief was denied by the Commission in Order No. 2002-506, dated July 9, 2002. Hence on July 12, 2002, Palmetto filed its Answer to SCE&G's Complaint. Thereafter, a hearing on the

Complaint was scheduled for March 27, 2003, and a scheduling order for the prefiling of testimony and exhibits was issued.

By letter dated January 21, 2003, Palmetto requested that the hearing scheduled for March 27, 2003, be delayed for one week but requested that no change be made to the deadlines outlined by the scheduling order. Accordingly, the hearing in this matter was rescheduled for April 17, 2003. Again, by letter dated April 8, 2003, Palmetto requested that the April 17, 2003 hearing be continued and noted that all prefiled testimony and exhibits had been submitted; therefore, no additional filing deadlines would need to be extended. The Commission granted Palmetto's request and rescheduled the hearing for June 19, 2003. By letter of June 3, 2003, Palmetto again requested a continuance of hearing. Thus, the Commission rescheduled the June 19, 2003 hearing for June 24, 2003. The present request before the Commission is that of SCE&G, filed June 12, 2003, requesting that the hearing on SCE&G's Complaint against Palmetto be continued and rescheduled for August 12, 2003. By letter dated June 13, 2003, Palmetto informed the Commission that the date of August 12, 2003, is suitable to Palmetto and therefore, Palmetto does not object to SCE&G's request.

Upon consideration of the request of SCE&G to continue the hearing set on the Complaint matter in the instant docket to August 12, 2003, the Commission finds and concludes that the request should be granted as both SCE&G and Palmetto are in agreement on a hearing date of August 12, 2003.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The hearing date established for the Complaint of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company against Palmetto Electric Cooperative, Inc. shall be rescheduled for **Tuesday, August 12, 2003, at 2:30 p.m.**

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:



Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director

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